



Press Release

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On: TEXAS UPLAND COTTON PRODUCTION
UP 45 PERCENT FROM 2003

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AUSTIN . . . The 2004 Texas **Upland cotton** crop is expected to total a record high 6.3 million bales, 45 percent more than in 2003 and 25 percent more than 2002. "With continuing good conditions, producers are predicting record breaking yields" reports Robin Roark, State Director. Yield is expected to average 550 pounds per acre, compared with 478 pounds last year. Acreage expected for harvest is estimated at 5.5 million acres, up 26 percent from 2003.

Corn production is forecast at 208.0 million bushels, up 7 percent from last year's production and up 3 percent from 2002. Based on August 1 conditions, statewide yield is expected to average 130 bushels per acre, 12 bushels more than in 2003, while harvested acreage is down 3 percent from last year.

Texas **peanut** production is up 2 percent from last year, at 825.0 million pounds. Statewide yield, at 3,300 pounds per acre, is up 300 pounds from last year while harvested acreage is down 7 percent to 250,000 acres.

Sorghum production is forecast at 82.0 million hundredweight (cwt), 5 percent less than last year. Harvested acreage is estimated at 2.4 million acres, down 16 percent from last year. Yield, at 3,416 pounds per acre, is up 392 pounds from last year.

Rice producers expect to harvest 13.8 million cwt, up 16 percent from 2003. Yield is forecast at 6,500 pounds per acre, 100 pounds less than last year.

The 2004 Texas **soybean** crop is forecast at 7.0 million bushels, up 38 percent from last year's production. Harvested acreage, at 225,000, is up 25 percent from last year, and yield is expected to average 31 bushels per acre, compared with 28 bushels last year.

Texas **grape** production is forecast at 8,700 tons, up 45 percent from last year's 6,000 tons.

United States corn production is forecast at 10.9 billion bushels, up 8 percent from last year's crop. A yield of 148.9 bushels per acre is forecast, up 6.7 bushels from last year. The sorghum crop is expected to be up 13 percent to 260.3 million cwt. The U.S. Upland cotton crop is expected to total 19.5 million bales, up 9 percent from last year. Soybean production is forecast at 2.88 billion bushels, up 19 percent from last year. The U.S. peanut crop is estimated at 4.32 billion pounds, up 4 percent from a year ago. U.S. rice production is forecast at 221.6 million cwt, up 11 percent from 2003.

TEXAS DISTRICT ESTIMATES, 2002 AND 2003 ¹

Districts	Planted Acres		Harvested Acres		Yield Per Acre		Production	
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
CORN	<u>1,000 acres</u>		<u>1,000 acres</u>		<u>Bushels</u>		<u>1,000 bushels</u>	
1-N	623.5	600.0	561.0	540.0	195.1	198.1	109,461	107,000
4	616.0	605.0	584.0	549.0	86.0	93.8	50,231	51,500
8-N	195.0	183.0	164.0	160.0	53.3	87.5	8,748	14,000
9	181.0	162.0	168.5	150.0	58.9	104.0	9,927	15,600
Other districts ²	214.5	250.0	172.5	201.0	94.7	99.0	16,333	19,900
STATE	1, 830.0	1,800.0	1,650.0	1,600.0	118.0	130.0	194,700	208,000
UPLAND COTTON	<u>1,000 acres</u>		<u>1,000 acres</u>		<u>Pounds</u>		<u>1,000 bales</u>	
1-N	826	850	360	770	707	742	530	1,190
1-S	2, 735	2,845	2,050	2,600	407	498	1,740	2,700
2-N	385	390	359	390	332	443	248	360
2-S	466	490	445	480	343	380	318	380
4	115	130	110	125	502	461	115	120
7	151	160	140	160	446	600	130	200
8-N	55	75	51	73	838	723	52	110
8-S	346	365	342	360	737	653	525	490
9	230	260	214	240	532	620	237	310
10-S	202	210	193	210	614	777	247	340
Other districts ²	89	125	86	92	1,049	522	188	100
STATE	5, 600	5,900	4,350	5,500	478	550	4,330	6,300
SORGHUM	<u>1,000 acres</u>		<u>1,000 acres</u>		<u>Pounds</u>		<u>1,000 cwt</u>	
1-N	816.0	600.0	660.0	535.0	3,167	3,850	20,900	20,600
1-S	610.0	400.0	534.0	310.0	2,147	2,290	11,467	7,100
2-S	100.0	100.0	72.0	92.0	1,831	1,957	1,318	1,800
4	274.0	280.0	266.0	250.0	4,190	4,120	11,145	10,300
7	64.0	70.0	58.0	62.0	2, 479	2,258	1,438	1,400
8-N	136.0	140.0	124.0	125.0	2,631	4,000	3,263	5,000
8-S	365.0	360.0	354.0	305.0	3,684	3,639	13,042	11,100
9	223.0	200.0	205.0	175.0	3,065	3,771	6,283	6,600
10-N	103.0	85.0	95.0	69.0	2,426	3,623	2,305	2,500
10-S	429.0	480.0	424.0	425.0	3,197	3,412	13,557	14,500
Other districts ²	80.0	85.0	58.0	52.0	2, 528	2,085	1,466	1,084
STATE	3, 200.0	2,800.0	2,850.0	2,400.0	3,024	3,416	86,184	81,984

¹ Preliminary, August 2004. ² Districts with less than 50,000 acres planted are included in other districts.

